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Mertensia Virginica

Brech's Mammoth **CROCUS**

One of the earliest flowers of spring, the Crocus is also one of the most graceful and lovely. Planted in September and October in clumps and masses, they are perfectly hardy and may remain in the ground indefinitely.

GOLDEN YELLOW. (Illustrated.) 10 for 70c; 25 for \$1.65; 100 for \$6.20. KATHLEEN PARLOW. (II-

lustrated.) Pure white, orange anthers. 10 for 70c; 25 for \$1.65; 100 for \$6.20.

PURPUREA GRANDIFLO-RA. (Illustrated.) purple. 10 for 70c; 25 for \$1.65; 100 for \$6.20.

SIR WALTER SCOTT. White, pencilled lilac. 10 for 70c; 25 for \$1.65; 100 for \$6.20.

BRECK'S CROCUS MIXTURE. A fine mixture of all colors. 10 for 50c; 25 for \$1.15; 100 for \$4.40; 250 for \$10.00.

Mertensia Virginica Virginia Bluebell

(Illustrated)

Charming native wild flower. Drooping bell-shaped blooms in handsome clusters. In the bud they are pink; in full bloom they become a pinkish lavender which gradually deepens to a lovely shade of bright blue. The plants grow to a height of about 18 inches and the foliage is a pleasing light green.

We recommend them for planting in woodland nooks, under trees and shrubs,

or in shady portions of the perennial border. They bloom at the same time and combine beautifully with yellow Daffodils. Each 45c; 3 for \$1.15; 10 for \$3.65; 25 for \$8.65; 100 for \$33.00.

Plant Mertensia with Golden Daffodils. They bloom at the same time and together they provide an exceptionally charming contrast.



Breck's Mammoth Crocus

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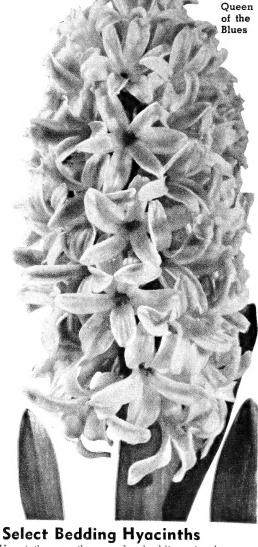


Breck's Giant Hyacinths

These "Giant Hyacinths" are the largest and choicest bulbs from the season's crop. Their chief use is for grow-ing in pots when fine exhibition flowers are desired. "Giant Hyacinths" are also best for growing on Hyacinth Glasses.

Each 50c; 3 for \$1.35; 10 for \$3.75; 25 for \$8.95.

CITY OF HAARLEM. (Illustrated.) Finest pure yellow. GERTRUDE. (Illustrated.) Bright pink.
L'INNOCENCE. (Illustrated.) Pure white.
LA VICTOIRE. (Illustrated.) Carmine-rose. KING OF THE BLUES. (Illustrated.) Dark blue.
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These Hyacinths are the popular bedding size because they are relatively inexpensive, together with the fact that

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Each 30c; 3 for 80c; 10 for \$2.35; 25 for \$5.35; 100 for \$19.50.

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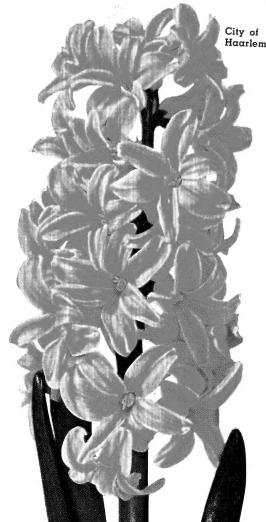
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HEAVENLY BLUE. (Illustrated.) Light blue, stronggrowing variety with larger flower-trusses than the others. The finest Grape Hyacinth for mass planting. 10 for 60c; 25 for \$1.35; 100 for \$5.10.

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Muscari (Grape Hyacinths), Heavenly Blue

Snowdrops Galanthus Nivalis

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GIANT HYBRID Amaryllis

Delivery-November to March. For growing indoors. Not hardy.

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Scilla Sibirica

Scillas - SQUILLS

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CAMPANULATA ALBA MAXIMA. A late-flowering variety growing 1 to 1½ feet tall. The long spike of drooping, pure white flowers somewhat resembles a Hyacinth. Very effective with May-flowering Tulips. 10 for 70c; 25 for \$1.65; 100 for \$6.20.

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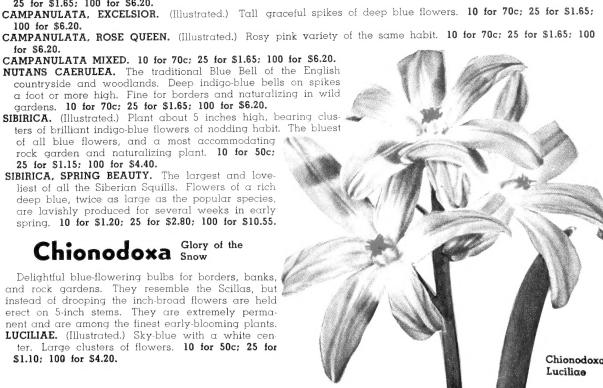
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Delightful blue-flowering bulbs for borders, banks, and rock gardens. They resemble the Scillas, but instead of drooping the inch-broad flowers are held erect on 5-inch stems. They are extremely perma-nent and are among the finest early-blooming plants. LUCILIAE. (Illustrated.) Sky-blue with a white center. Large clusters of flowers. 10 for 50c; 25 for \$1.10; 100 for \$4.20.

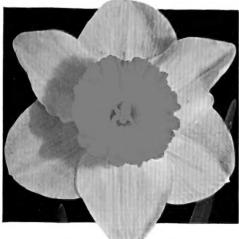


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Croesus (Incomparabilis) 10 for \$1.35





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Francisca Drake

15 BULBS 3 of each (not individually labeled) \$2.40 In the following collections the varieties are all packaged separately and named.

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NARCISSI FOR

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EARLY PAPER-WHITE. (Illustrated.) The

Large bulbs, 3 for 40c; 5 for 55c; 10 for 95c; 25 for \$2.25; 100 for \$7.50.

Jumbo bulbs, 3 for 55c; 5 for 85c; 10 for \$1.50; 25 for \$3.50; 100 for \$12.00.

GRAND SOLEIL D'OR. (Illustrated.) Golden yellow form of the above. 3 for 50c; 5 for 75c; 10 for \$1.40; 25 for \$3.25; 100 for

CHINESE SACRED. (Illustrated.) Similar

white with tiny yellow cups. 3 for 50c; 5 for 75c; 10 for \$1.40; 25 for \$3.25; 100

popular cluster-flowered variety so seen growing in pebbles and water

LEEDSI DAFFODILS

These charming Daffodils have pure white perianths with cups or crowns which may be white, cream or pale citron, sometimes tinged with pink or apricot. The cups are variable in length but are always shorter than the length of the perianth segments.

of creamy white, daintily edged with primrose. One of the most beautiful of all Daffodils. 3 for 40c; 10 for \$1.20; 25 for \$2.80; 100 for \$10.55.

MRS. NETTE O'MELVENY. Pure white perianth and short cup of clear lemon-yellow, with orange picotee. 3 for 40c; 10 for \$1.20; 25 for \$2.80; 100 for \$10.55.

QUEEN OF THE NORTH. Round, overlapping perianth of snowy white with a daintily fluted, lemon cup. 3 for 40c; 10 for \$1.20; 25 for \$2.80; 100 for \$10.55.

SILVER STAR. Perfectly formed flower; creamy white star-shaped perianth and wide mouthed trumpet of primrose, changing to cream-white. Very free flowering. 3 for 50c: 10 for \$1.55; 25 for \$3.70; 100 for \$14.10.



Mrs. R. O. Backhouse

Moonshine (Hybrid) 10 for \$1.55

The Famous Pink Daffodil



Chinese Sacred Lily



for \$11.50.







Mrs. Walter H. Brewster (Barri) 10 for \$1.40

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Datfodils or Narcissi? Both of these names are considered to be correct for all the various types offered on this page. "Datfodils" is the common or English equivalent of the botanical word "Narcissi." It is true that "Narcissi" is the most fluct is almost invariably applied to "Paper Whites" and to the Poeticus and Poetaz groups, but don't have word confuse you. They both mean the same

LARGE TRUMPET DAFFODILS

AEROLITE. A magnificent, large, golden yellow trumpet, with spite its size. 3 for 65c; 10 for \$1.90; 25 for \$4.50; 100 for \$17.15.

DAWSON CITY. A perfect flower; golden yellow throughout. Broad flat perianth, with smooth trumpet flenged 10 for \$2.10; 25 for \$5.10; 100 for \$19.35.

KING ALFRED. (Illustrated.) A magnificent Daffodil with a broad perianth and large, frilled trumpet of a rich golden yellow through moth bulbs, 3 for 65c; 10 for \$1.90; 25 for \$4.50; 100 for \$17.15 Jumbo bulbs, the largest and finest that the season produces, 3 for 80c; 10 for \$2,35; 25 for \$5.85; 100 for \$21.55.

LOVENEST. The daintiest of all the Trumpets and one of the lew members of the "Pink Daffodil" class. Starshaped white perianth; trumpet softran yellow turning to apricet-pink. 3 for \$1.15; 10 for \$3.35; 2 for \$8.00; 100 for \$30.35.

MRS. E. H. TRELAGE. (Illustrated.) Faultless blooms of an almost pure write color. The trumpet is the next and the perianth pure, snowy white. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.35; 10 for \$4.16; 25 for \$9.95.

MRS. R. O. BACKHOUSE. (Illustrated.) The lumous Pink Duffodil Long slim trumpet of apricologink, changing to shell-pink at the deeply fringed edge: perianth avery white. Delicately beautiful variety of exceptional substance. Each, \$1.85; 3 for \$5.00.

VAN WAVEREN'S GIANT. A gorgeous bloom with an immens yellow perianth and a nuge, golden yellow trumper. Line tallest. 3 for \$1.15; 10 for \$3.35; 25 for \$8.00; 100 for \$30.35.

POETICUS NARCISSI

The fragrant Poet's Narcissi have snowy perianths and flattened ups margined with crimson or scarlet.

ACTAEA. (Illustrated.) The largest flowered Poeticus. Beautifully red. 3 for 55c; 10 for \$1.65; 25 for \$3.95; 100 for \$14.95. ALBUS PLENUS ODORATUS. (Illustrated.) The double

icus. Pure white and very fragrant. 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.40; 25 for \$3.35; 100 for \$12.75. RECURVUS. True Poet's Nan

3 for 40c; 10 for \$1.20; 25 for \$2.80; 100 for \$10.55.

SNOW KING. Icy white perianth with exceptionally broad petals. up broadly edged red. An outstanding variety. 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.40; 25 for \$3.35; 100 for \$12.75.

POETAZ NARCISSI

The flowers are carried in clusters of three to six, and six or eight albs grown in a pot or bulb pan will make a grand display.

CHEERFULNESS. (Illustrated.) Medium-sized, double-flowered, crean white. Extremely beautiful. 3 for 45c; 10 for \$1.35; 25 for \$3.25. KLONDYKE. One of the finest of the yellow Poetaz. Rich yellow anth with a darker cup. 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.40; 25 for \$3.35.

AURENS KOSTER. Handsome, white flowers, with deep golden cups 3 for 40c; 10 for \$1.20; 25 for \$2.80; 100 for \$10.55.

BARRI DAFFODILS

The varieties in this dainty group may have either white or yellow perianths. The cup or crown may be of the same color or of a contrasting color but it is never longer than one-third the length of the perianth segments.

ALCIDA. Large flower, creamy star-shaped perianth, broad deep yellow cup orange frill. Wonderfully free flowering. 3 for 55c: 10 for \$1.65; 25 for \$3.95.

BATH'S FLAME. A deep yellow perianth with a shallow cup of a deeper shade, edged orange-red. 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.40; 25 for \$3.35; 100 for \$12.75.

BONFIRE. The broad, ivory perianth is flamed with yellow, paling to cream, while the yellow cup is edged burn-borance. 3 for 55c: 10 for \$1.50; 25 for \$3.60; 100 for \$13.65.

DIANA KASNER. A beautiful variety with a pure white perianth; largedged with red. 3 for 40c; 10 for \$1.20; 25 for \$2.80; 100 for \$10.35.

LADY DIANA MANNERS. Pure white, wide, overlapping petals and deep lemon-flaring cup, edged red-crange. 3 for 70c: 10 for \$2.10: 25 for \$5.00: 100 for \$19.15.

MRS. WALTER H. BREWSTER. (Illustrated.) One of the finest varieties. Pure white perianth lemon-yellow cup, edged with oxblood. 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.40; 25 for \$3.35; 100 for \$12.75.

INCOMPARABILIS DAFFODILS

These Daffodils are all fairly high crowned; the cup or crown being always at least one-third as long as the perianth segments but never equal to them in length. The perianths may be white or some shade of yellow; from pale primrose to deep gold; the cups too are yellow but may be tinted or stained with orange or scarlet.

BERNARDINO. Beautiful, creamy flower with a large, ruffled cup of pale yellow. 3 for 50c 10 for \$1.50: 25 for \$3.60: 100 for \$13.65.

CROESUS. (Illustrated.) A light canary-yellow perianth. The cup is broadly fluted. 3 for 45c; 10 for \$1.35; 25 for \$3.25; 100 for \$12.40. FRANCISCA DRAKE. (Illustrated.) A lovely flower with a pure white perianth of unusual

substance, tinted gold at the base. The cup is wide and deep, golden yellow at the base changing gradually to flame-orange at the densely frilled edge. 3 for 70c; 10 for \$2.10; 25 for \$5.10; 100 for \$19.35. HELIOS. Deep golden yellow perianth with a light orange cup. 3 for \$5c; 10 for \$1.65; 25 for \$3.95; 100 for \$14.95.

JOHN EVELYN. A rounded perianth of sparkling white; cup large and deep, tinted rich tangerine. 3 for 70c: 10 for \$2.10; 25 for \$5.10; 100 for \$19.35.

RED CROSS. An extra-large, strong-flowering Daffodil, famous throughout the world. Primrose-yellow perianth; deep yellow cup densely frilled with deep orange. 3 for 70c; 10 for \$2.10; 25 for \$5.10; 100 for \$19.35.

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JONQUILS

These true Jonquils should not be confused with the larger Trumpet Narcissi often offered as Jonquils in florists' shops. Most of them are small, sweetly scented, cluster-flowered Narcissi with interesting rushlike foliage.

JONQUILLA SIMPLEX. The true single, sweet-scented Jonquil with graceful cluster of tiny, pure golden flowers. 3 for 40c; 10 for \$1.20; 25 for \$2.90; 100 for \$11.00.

CAMPERNELLE RUGULOSUS. Very rich, deep golden flowers, two to four on a stem. Very lovely and Jeliciously fragrant. 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.40; 25 for \$3.35. GOLDEN SCEPIRE. very lovely, large flowered Jonquil hybrid bearing blooms with

large trumpets of drep rich yellow and perianths a shade lighter in color. fully proportioned and very attractive. 3 for 40c; 10 for \$1.20; 25 for \$2.80. LADY HILLINGDON. Lovely cluster-flowering Jonquil. Perianth clear butter-yellow: outer petals open flat like a Trillium while the inner ones curve toward the deep Jonquil-yellow trumpet. Ideal for cutting as well as for garden display. 3 for \$5c; 10 for \$1.85; 25 for \$3.95; 100 for \$14.95.

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Breck's SUPER-DELUXE Daffodil Collection

A really superb, carefully balanced mixture of big bulbs, many of which, as individual varieties, are highly prized by collectors. Huge yellow and two-toned trumpet varieties together with a vast assortment of radiantly colored and dainty shortcupped types. This mixture is limited in quantity and cannot be duplicated later. Therefore please order early to avoid disappointment.

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Plant Daffodils to Grow Like Wildflowers BRECK'S SPECIAL MIXTURE FOR NATURALIZING

Giant trumpet varieties in their clear yellow shades; medium trumpets, and short cupped variened with orange or blazing scarlet cups. All are in this superb mixture You can plant Daffodils in the same alluring manner as pictured above and get the same fascinating effects. In other words, plant Daffodils to grow like wildflowers. Such plantings are permanent. They will grow in beauty each year.

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NARCISSUS SPECIES and HYBRIDS

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FEBRUARY GOLD. 13 inches. A very handsome Daffodil with clear yellow, slightly reflexed perianth and a bright orange-yellow trumpet, deeply frilled at the margin. Very

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THALIA (The Orchid Narcissus). 12 inches.

Another lovely Triandrus hybrid with exquisite, nodding, creamy white bells borne 3 to 4 on a stem, making a beautiful flower cluster. Very suitable for the rock garden or for forcing. 3 for £5c; 10 for \$2.75; 25 for \$6.75; 100 for \$25.60.



BULBS ARE POSTPAID ANYWHERE

Double DAFFODILS

MARY COPELAND, (Illustrated.) One of the most striking doubles. The longer petals are 10 for \$2,75; 25 for \$6.75; 100 for \$25.60.

ALBUS PLENUS ODORATUS. (Illustrated.) The double-flowered "Poeticus." A choice old variety flowering long after most Narcissi have gone. Snowy white and very sweet variety flowering long after most Narcissi have gone. Snowy white and very sweet scented. 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.40; 25 for \$3.35; 100 for \$12.75.

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TWINK. An attractive flower which creates a sensation wherever seen. The petals alternate a soft primrose and clear orange, and are so arranged as to give the flower a striking appearance. Twink forces readily and is also an excellent garden variety. 3 for 70c; 10 for \$2.10; 25 for \$5.10; 100 for \$19.35. VAN SION. A familiar old variety with blooms of clear golden yellow. Excellent for either forcing or naturalizing. 3 for 45c; 10 for \$1.35; 25 for \$3.25.



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